



Autumn breezes often bring a chill along Broadway and Fifth Avenue. However, for those who want to make warm connections, there are inviting bars in the Big Apple where eligible seasoned single travelers and local residents can escape the cold while turning up the emotional heat.

For those seasoned seekers on the prowl, here are some suggestions:

Spitzer's Corner: 101 Rivington St., NY NY 10002, spitzerscorner.com. This Lower East Side tavern calls itself a gastropub, which means a combination of cozy bar and tasty food. When it gets crowded, often just after sundown, patrons find themselves crammed together into tight wooden benches.

It's a perfect way for mature singles to get up close and personal. Because of its location, there are usually more casually mature artistic local people of all ages there than button-down young business singles from nearby offices.

McSorley's Old Ale House: 15 E. 7th St., N Y NY 10003, mcsorleysnewyork.com. This historic East Village landmark has welcomed adults of all ages since 1854. Through the years it has served soldiers, sailors, statesmen, Wall Street tycoons, millionaires, retirees and some of Manhattan's more shady characters.

Lucky Jack's: 129 Orchard St., NY NY 10002, luckyjacksnyc.com. In a vintage Lower East Side neighborhood that was full of pushcarts a century ago, this bar now attracts both young and seasoned singles with drinks, snacks, DJ music and stand-up comedy.

Hillstone: 378 Park Av. S., N Y NY, 10010, hillstone.com.

In the posh Manhattan Flatiron district, it boasts an upscale environment. Savvy seniors could

dream of making a connection with a wealthy local looking for a mature relationship.

Summary: New York City, though one of the largest in the world, can be a lonely place for a traveling senior. One of the best destinations in town to make the right connections is at a Manhattan singles bar.